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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Personnel Officer**

**SUBJECT : Fittings for Pressure Suits**

Agreement was reached with [REDACTED] at a meeting in Headquarters on 29 March on a slight change in the procedure for fitting new pilots for pressure suits. Arrangements will be made to have the pilot measured for the suit by a pattern maker from the manufacturer's plant. This can be done at any convenient location, although some location in the Northeastern quarter of the country is preferable from the standpoint of the manufacturer. When the suit is ready, the pilot will proceed to the manufacturer's plant for fittings and will remain there, if necessary, for a second day until the fit can be perfected. Ten working days (two weeks) should normally be allowed between measurement and fitting although this could be cut down by two or three days in an emergency. In this way it is hoped that excellent fittings can be secured at the cost of only one trip to the plant by the pilot. This procedure should cut down the total time that is consumed in this process. Unless there is some objection of which I am not aware, I suggest that pilots' fittings be scheduled in this manner henceforth.

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